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Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97-§1.98 and 37 C.F.R. §1.56, Applicants call the attention of the Examiner to the following information:

US 5,750,601 to Staendeke, cited and discussed in the specification beginning at page 3,
line 14;

EP 0779294;

EP 0754724;

US 5,852,197 to Staendeke;

Japanese Laid-Open Publication No. 9-176376;

English translation of the abstract of Japanese Laid-Open Publication No.9-176376;

Japanese Laid-Open Publication No. 6-321974;

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US 5,401,788, which is an English language family member of Japanese Laid-Open Publication No. 6-321974;

EP 0617042, which is also an English language family member of Japanese Laid-Open Publication No. 6-321974;

Japanese Laid-Open Publication No. 52-89685;

US 4,049,617 which is an English language family member of Japanese Laid-Open Publication No. 52-89685;

Japanese Laid-Open Publication No. 63-95249;

English translation of the abstract of Japanese Laid-Open Publication No. 63-95249.

In addition, Applicants call the attention of the Examiner to the following information which was cited in the International Search Report. A copy of the International Search Report was enclosed with the papers when entering the National Stage on December 27, 2001.

EP 779332. Applicants note that the Annex to the International Search Report indicates that U.S. Patent No. 5,750,601 is a family member of EP 779332;

Japanese Laid-Open Publication No. 6-321974 (also cited above). Applicants note that the Annex to the International Search Report indicates that U.S. Patent No. 5,401,788 (also cited above) is a family member of Japanese Laid-Open Publication No. 6-321974. Applicants also note that the Annex to the International Search Report also indicates that EP 0617042 (also cited above) is also a family member of Japanese Laid-Open Publication No. 6-321974;

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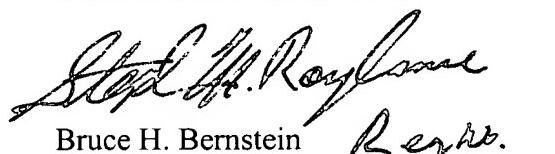
above) is a family member of Japanese Laid-Open Publication No. 52-89685;

Japanese Laid-Open Publication No. 63-95249 (also cited above).

Applicants note that an Office Action on the Merits has not been received in the instant application. However, if an Office Action on the Merits has issued, and is crossing this statement in the mail, the undersigned hereby authorizes the Commissioner to charge any fee necessary for the consideration of this statement, including any payment under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(p), to Applicant's Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

Should the Examiner have any questions or comments, the undersigned may be contacted at the below listed telephone number.

Respectfully submitted.
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